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TO AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETEL, US, UV, OTRA

SUBJECT: VOLTAN NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

REF: A) OUAGADOUGOU 4093, B) OUAGADOUGOU 4575

1. REGRET IT WILL NOT RPT NOT BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE  
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN PRESIDENT OR VICE  
PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT LAMIZANA IN CONNECTION INAUGURATION  
OF SATELLITE GROUND STATION. IF ASKED, EMBASSY SHOULD  
EXPLAIN THAT HEAVILY CHARGED SCHEDULES OF PRESIDENT AND  
VICE PRESIDENT WILL NOT PERMIT THIS.

2. PRESIDENT HAS APPROVED TEXT OF FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO  
PRESIDENT LAMIZANA. SIGNED ORIGINAL BEING HAND CARRIED  
BY CDO HOSKINS WHO DEPARTS NEW YORK PANAM 186 DECEMBER 5  
AND IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE OUAGADOUGOU WELL IN ADVANCE  
OF NATIONAL DAY. QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: IT IS  
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WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I EXTEND TO YOU AND TO THE  
PEOPLE OF UPPER VOLTA ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE  
MY WARM AND SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON THE ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE FOUNDING OF YOUR COUNTRY. UPPER VOLTA ENTERS  
INTO ITS NINETEENTH YEAR AS A REPUBLIC WITH A SOUND  
HISTORY OF FREEDOM AND RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND A

BRIGHT FUTURE BEFORE IT. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND OTHER PEOPLES OF THE WORLD FOLLOW CLOSELY THE REAL PROGRESS YOUR COUNTRY IS MAKING IN ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL DOMAINS UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO THE RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL RULE.

I WISH YOU FURTHER SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENT AND WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF OUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR YOUR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE UPPER VOLTA'S PROSPERITY, AND THE HAPPINESS OF ITS PEOPLE. SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER END QUOTE

WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT INTEND RELEASE TEXT BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF GOUV WISHES TO DO SO.

3. BECAUSE OF LATE RECEIPT INVITATION CONVEYED REF B, NEITHER DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER NOR AID ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR MRS.BUTCHER CAN ATTEND NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION ON DECEMBER 9-12. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TRACE THIRD GUEST, TALIB EL SHIBIB AND WILL CONVEY HIS RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. WE RECOGNIZE THAT INABILITY SENIOR US OFFICIALS TO ATTEND NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS AND INABILITY OF EITHER PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN SATELLITE GROUND STATION INAUGURATION, WILL BE DISAPPOINTING TO VOLTAN GOVERNMENT. WE HOPE TIMELY DELIVERY OF SIGNED CONFIDENTIAL

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ORIGINAL OF PRESIDENT'S LETTER WILL, TO SOME EXTENT, COMPENSATE FOR THIS DISAPPOINTMENT. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, YOU SHOULD MAKE THE PRESENTATION AS WARM AS POSSIBLE.  
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